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## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_

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*Introduced by: Burton, Neese*

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A RESOLUTION honoring Commander William D. Bottom.

*Whereas, Commander William D. Bottom served in Vietnam with the 1st Battalion, 83rd Artillery of the United States Army;*

*Whereas, While serving in Vietnam, Commander Bottom was injured and was honorably discharged with the rank of sergeant;*

*Whereas, As Commander of the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) of Indiana, William D. Bottom has traveled more than 20,000 miles in the past eight months, crisscrossing the state and seeing and listening to the plight of disabled*

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veterans;

*Whereas, Commander Bottom has authorized funds for eight new DAV hospital vans to transport Indiana veterans to the Veterans Administration Hospitals; these vans are to be used in Indianapolis, Columbus, Portland, Marion, Portage, English, Jasper, and Evansville;*

*Whereas, Commander Bottom spearheaded Thanksgiving and Christmas DAV/VA meals for the homeless, where more than 2,500 veterans had dinner;*

*Whereas, Under Commander Bottom, the DAV became a major sponsor of the annual Indiana Women's Veterans Symposium, initiated free dental care for the homeless and indigent veterans, and initiated Indiana's participation in the winter sports clinic in Colorado; and*

*Whereas, Commander Bottom has dedicated a large part of his life to helping veterans improve their lives: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1           SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives thanks
- 2           Commander William D. Bottom for his dedicated service to the
- 3           veterans of Indiana.
- 4           SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
- 5           Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Commander
- 6           William D. Bottom.

